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The Examiner requires Applicants to elect a single disclosed species from each of three groups of species for prosecution on the merits. Applicants elect:

Species B: Figure 6 from the Stent Group. Claims 54-60, 61, 62, 63-67, 68, 69-75, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, and 85 read on that species.

Species A: Figure 4B from the Means for Securing Juxtaposed Apices Group. Claims 54-60, 63-67, 69, 70, 71, 73, 74, 75, 77, 78, 80, 81, 82, 83 read on that species.

Species A: Figure 8 from the Introducer Group. Claims 76 and 79 read on that species.

These elections are made without traverse.

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